

*Claim*

providing a cable forming device having at least one mandrel, wherein the mandrel has a radius greater than a minimum bend radius for the optical fiber cable, and wrapping the portion of the optical fiber cable about the mandrel

37. The method of claim 36, the cable forming device including at least two mandrels, wherein the mandrels are attached to different phases of a support, and the cable is bent in an S-shape having two curves, the two curves being on different planes.

### REMARKS

If there are any matters that may be resolved or clarified through a telephone interview, the Applicants' Attorney makes himself available at the telephone number listed below. Alternately, the Examiner may fax communications directly to the Applicants' Attorney at the facsimile number listed below.

The Applicants have included a Transmittal Letter detailing the fees for the additional claims and the authorization for the fees to be charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account No. 13-3723. The Applicants do not believe that any additional fees are necessary in relation with the filing of the present communication. If the Applicants are in error, the Applicants hereby authorize the charging of any additional necessary fees to 3M Innovative Properties Company Account Number 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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